

216B.235 Consultation with designated lay caregiver and development of discharge plan -- Administrative regulations.

- (1) As soon as practicable a hospital shall consult with a designated lay caregiver regarding the patient's after-care needs. If the hospital is unable to contact the designated lay caregiver, the lack of contact shall not interfere with, delay, or otherwise affect an appropriate discharge of the patient.
- (2) A discharge plan shall include:
 - (a) The name and contact information of the designated lay caregiver;
 - (b) A description of after-care tasks the patient may perform at the patient's residence; and
 - (c) Contact information for health care, community, and long-term care resources and supports that may be available and appropriate to assist in implementing the patient's discharge plan.
- (3) The purpose of the hospital's consultation with a patient's lay caregiver as described in this section is to assist the lay caregiver in preparing for the patient's after-care needs, which may include demonstrations of after-care tasks and an opportunity to ask questions. The date and time of the consultation shall be documented in the patient's medical record.
- (4) The Cabinet for Health and Family Services may promulgate administrative regulations it deems necessary to implement KRS 216B.230 to 216B.239.

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